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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
NIKOLAUS MARTIN ERLMANN)	Group Art Unit 3679
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Serial No. 10/642,474)	
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Honorable Sir:

The applicant hereby elects Species 3 illustrated in Figs. 5 through 9 for prosecution without traverse. Claims 1-4, 7-9, 13-16, and 18-23 are believed to read on the elected species. Additionally, it should be noted that Claims 1-4, 7-9, and 18-19 are believed to be generic to all of the disclosed species of the invention.

Respectfully submitted,

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